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SUBJECT: MEDIA REACTION

1. UNSIGNED BULGARIAN TELEGRAPH AGENCY REPORT FROM NEW YORK  
IN PARTY ORGAN "RABOTNICHESKO DELO" THURS 5 AUG HEADLINED  
"MISSION WITH MILITARY PURPOSES" ON KISSINGER VISIT TO IRAN:  
"IN BROAD CIRCLE OF 'COMMERCIAL QUESTIONS' IN FIRST PLACE  
STANDS QUESTION OF PRESENT AND FUTURE SUPPLIES OF ARMS FROM  
U.S. TO IRAN, WHICH, AS RESULT OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATION BY  
(U.S.) SENATE, IN RECENT DAYS HAS RECEIVED SCANDALOUS PUB-  
LICITY....TO SUPPORT THIS GREAT (IRANIAN) MILITARY ARSENAL,  
WHOSE PROVISION AND ABSORPTION IS NOT IN TUNE WITH IRAN'S  
OWN FORCES, BY 1980 NUMBER OF AMERICAN MILITARY SPECIALISTS IN  
THIS COUNTRY WILL BE COMPELLED TO REACH 50-60 THOUSAND PERSONS  
....ALL THIS MAKES MORE DIFFICULT KISSINGER'S MISSION, WHICH  
AT BOTTOM IS INTENDED TO INSURE CONVERSION OF IRAN  
INTO CHIEF SUPPORT STEP FOR AMERICAN STRATEGY AND  
POLICY IN NEAR AND MIDDLE EASTERN REGIONS."

2. DOCENT GEORGI G. DIMITROV IN KOMSOMOL ORGAN "NARODNA  
MLADEZH" FRI 6 AUG ON "ANTI-BULGARIAN PROPAGANDA IN NEW  
INTERPRETATION": "THEORETICIANS ON PROPAGANDA IN U.S.  
HAVE RESEARCHED TO SMALLEST DETAIL MEANS AND METHODS  
FOR LEADING SO-CALLED 'IDEOLOGICAL WAR' OR FOR CARRYING  
OUT PSYCHOLOGICAL CONVERSION WITH VARIOUS IDEOLOGICAL  
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GOALS OF POPULATION IN SOVIET UNION AND SOCIALIST COUNTRIES,

IN ORDER TO ATTRACT THOSE COUNTRIES' PUBLIC OPINION TO U.S., TO CREATE ATMOSPHERE CONDUCIVE TO REALIZATION OF IMPERIALIST GOALS OF AMERICAN FOREIGN POLICY, TO ERODE UNITY OF SOCIALIST PEOPLES, OF SOCIALIST SYSTEM....TO BE STRESSED IS INTEREST IN ANTI-BULGARIAN EMISSIONS OF BOTH OPENLY ENEMY RADIO STATION OF CIA 'FREE EUROPE' AND ALSO THOSE WHO HAVE TAKEN ON TOGA OF OFFICIAL VOICES VOICE OF AMERICA, BBC, AND DEUTSCHE WELLE."

3. COMMENT: THIS IS FIRST TIME SINCE BULGARIANS STOPPED JAMMING VOA BULGARIAN BROADCASTS NEARLY TWO YEARS AGO THAT WE HAVE NOTED VOA BEING ACCUSED OF ANTI-BULGARIAN BIAS. NO SPECIFICS OF ACCUSATION AGAINST VOA ALONE ARE GIVEN. ACCUSATION RUNS COUNTER TO OFFICIAL GOB COMMENTS, INCLUDING THOSE MADE BY FOREIGN MINISTER TO AMBASSADOR; WE WILL NOTE THIS IN DISCUSSIONS WITH RELEVANT CONTACTS. HERZ

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